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1. BRIEF SECTION ON THE CAE IN AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL'S 1977
REPORT, WHICH POST JUST RECEIVED, PROVIDES FOR THE FIRST TIME
SPECIFIC FIGURE ON HOW MANY PRISONERS WERE LEFT IN JAIL AFTER THE
DECEMBER 1976 AMNESTY -- SEVEN PRISONERS IN ALL ACCORDING TO CAE.
THIS FIGURE IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR OBSERVATIONS THAT THE JAILS
APPEARED VIRTUALLY EMPTY ON THE BASIS OF ACTIVITY OUTSIDE THEM.

2. IN ADDITION, EMBASSY PARTICULARLY NOTED PARAGRAPH REPORTING
THAT GOCAE HAD STATED THAT THE UN RESIDENT REP IN BANGUI HAD BEEN
INVITED TO VISIT THE CENTRAL PRISON AFTER THE 1976 AMNESTY. WHILE
UN RESIDENT REP DENIES RECEIVING SUCH AN INVITATION, GOCAE STATEMENT
WOULD INDICATE POSSIBLE RECEPTIVITY TO REQUEST FROM HUMANITARIAN
ORGANIZATION TO VISIT JAILS.

3. WE ALSO NOTE THAT ONE OF THE TWO POLITICAL PRISONERS IN THE CAE
ADOPTED BY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, JEAN-RICHARD SANDOS, IS A MEMBER
OF THE NEW POLITICAL BUREAU OF MESAN, THE COUNTRY'S SOLE POLITICAL
PARTY. WE ASSUME J.B. MALIKANGA, WHO HAD BEEN IMPRISONED WITH
SANDOS, HAS ALSO BEEN RELEASED.

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